Sterne Kessler Goldstein Fox
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

OIPE
APR 0 4 2005
PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Robert Greene Sterne
Edward J. Kessler
Jorge A. Goldstein
David K.S. Cornwell
Robert W. Esmond
Tracy-Gene G. Durkin
Michele A. Cimbala
Michael B. Ray
Robert E. Sokohl
Eric K. Steffe
Michael Q. Lee
Steven R. Ludwig
John M. Covert
Linda E. Alcorn
Robert C. Millonig
Donald J. Featherstone
Timothy J. Shea, Jr
Lawrence B. Bugaisky
Michael V. Messinger
Judith U. Kim

Patrick E. Garrett
Jeffrey T. Helvey
Heidi L. Kraus
Eldora L. Ellison
Thomas C. Fiala
Albert L. Ferro*
Donald R. Banowit
Peter A. Jackman
Teresa U. Medler
Jeffrey S. Weaver
Kendrick P. Patterson
Vincent L. Capuano
Brian J. Del Buono
Virgil Lee Beaston
Theodore A. Wood
Elizabeth J. Haanes
Joseph S. Ostroff
Frank R. Cottingham
Christine M. Lhulier
Rae Lynn P. Guest

George S. Bardmesser
Daniel A. Klein
Jason D. Eisenberg
Michael D. Specht
Andrea J. Kamage
Tracy L. Muller
Jon E. Wright
LuAnne M. DeSantis
Ann E. Summerfield
Aric W. Ledford
Helene C. Carlson
Cynthia M. Bouchez
Timothy A. Doyle*
Gaby L. Longsworth
Lori A. Gordon
Nicole D. Dretar
Ted J. Ebersole
Jyoti C. Iyer
Laura A. Vogel

Michael J. Mancuso
Bryan S. Wade
Aaron L. Schwartz
Michael G. Penn*
Shannon A. Carroll*
Wesley W. Jones*
Matthew E. Kelley*
Nicole R. Kramer*

Registered Patent Agents•
Karen R. Markowicz
Nancy J. Leith
Matthew J. Dowd
Katrina Yujian Pei Quach
Bryan L. Skelton
Robert A. Schwartzman
Teresa A. Colella
Jeffrey S. Lundgren
Victoria S. Rutherford

Michelle K. Holoubek
Simon J. Elliott
Julie A. Heider
Mita Mukherjee
Scott M. Woodhouse
Christopher J. Walsh
Liliana Di Nola-Baron
Peter A. Socarras
Jeffrey Mills

Of Counsel
Kenneth C. Bass III
Evan R. Smith
Marvin C. Guthrie

*Admitted only in Maryland
*Admitted only in Virginia
•Practice Limited to Federal Agencies

April 4, 2005

WRITER'S DIRECT NUMBER:
(202) 772-8862
INTERNET ADDRESS:
LGORDON@SKGF.COM

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Art Unit 2136

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 09/610,722; Filed: July 6, 2000
For: **Classification Engine in a Cryptography Acceleration Chip**
Inventors: KRISHNA *et al.*
Our Ref: 1875.4310002

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form for $910.00 to cover the RCE filing fee and the ONE (1) month extension of time fee;

2. Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;

3. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a);

4. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;

5. Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;

6. Form PTO-1449 listing ONE (1) document (1 page); and

7. ONE (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

Lori A. Gordon
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 50,633

LAG/mjg